

The House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment offers the following substitute to HR 494:

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging public and private employers in the Atlanta metropolitan area to adopt flexible hours
2 for their employees in order to reduce traffic congestion; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Atlanta metropolitan area is the second most congested area in the United
4 States; and

5 WHEREAS, as the congestion has worsened, many companies no longer even consider
6 Atlanta as an option when deciding on places to locate; and

7 WHEREAS, the quality of life for people in the Atlanta metropolitan area deteriorates as lack
8 of mobility steals time away from family and other pursuits and interests; and

9 WHEREAS, the state is facing a severe budget shortfall and transportation infrastructure
10 improvements cannot be adequately funded; and

11 WHEREAS, public and private employers could become part of the solution to the traffic
12 congestion problem within the Atlanta metropolitan area by allowing employees to work
13 under a flexible scheduling arrangement; and

14 WHEREAS, by allowing for flexible starting and ending hours, the traffic congestion in the
15 area could be greatly reduced.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 the members of this body urge public and private employers in the Atlanta metropolitan area
18 to adopt flexible scheduling hours in order to vary starting and ending times for their
19 employees.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Office of the Governor,

22 the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the Atlanta Regional Commission, and the
23 Georgia Chamber of Commerce.